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### REPUBLICAN TICKET.

#### National.

For President—  
WILLIAM MCKINLEY of Ohio.  
For Vice President—  
GARRETT A. HOBART of New Jersey.

#### State.

For Governor—  
HAZEN S. PINGREE.  
For Lieutenant Governor—  
THOMAS B. DUNSTAN.  
For Secretary of State—  
WASHINGTON GARDNER.  
For State Treasurer—  
GEORGE A. STEEL.  
For Auditor General—  
ROSCOE D. DIX.  
For Attorney General—  
FRED A. MAYNARD.  
For Commissioner of the State Land Office—  
WILLIAM A. FRENCH.  
For Superintendent of Public Instruction—  
JASON E. HAMMOND.  
For Member of State Board of Education—  
JAMES W. SIMMONS.

#### Congressional.

For Member of Congress—(4th district)—  
EDWARD L. HAMILTON.

#### Legislative.

For State Senator—(8th District)—  
GEORGE W. MERRIMAN.  
For Representative—  
CHARLES C. PHILLIPS of Bangor.

#### County Ticket.

For Judge of Probate—  
JAMES H. JOHNSON of South Haven.  
For Sheriff—  
CHARLES A. LAMBERSON of Pine Grove.  
For County Clerk—  
JOSEPH S. BUCK of Antwerp.  
For Register of Deeds—  
THOMAS M. HARVEY of Bangor.  
For County Treasurer—  
GILBERT MITCHELL of Geneva.  
For Prosecuting Attorney—  
JAMES E. CHANDLER of Paw Paw.  
For Circuit Court Commissioners—  
ORAN W. ROWLAND of Paw Paw.  
GUY J. WICKSALL of South Haven.  
For County Surveyor—  
GEORGE MUTCHLER of Bangor.  
For Coroners—  
O. A. DEAN of South Haven.  
S. M. TROWBRIDGE of Geneva.

### The Matter of Discriminating Duties.

Of the world's ocean shipping, but 3.4 per cent is carried in American ships, while 56 per cent is the proportion secured by the British merchant marine. Of the foreign commerce of the United States, about 75 per cent is carried in British ships and only about 11 per cent in American ships. This was not always the condition prevailing, and the decline of the American merchant marine has not come about without a cause. A brief history of our national legislation touching this interest will not be unprofitable.

The first act of the first congress, signed by George Washington as president, July 4, 1789, afforded protection to American ship owners by the policy known as "discriminating duties;" that is, a higher duty was exacted on imports carried in foreign ships than in those transported in American ships. At the time of the enactment of that law, American ships carried but 23 per cent of our commerce. The effect of the law was at once felt, and the first year after its adoption our ships carried 40 per cent, the second year 55 per cent, the third year 64 per cent, the fourth year 79 per cent, the fifth year 88 per cent, and thereafter, except during the war of 1812, 90 per cent, until the repeal of the discriminating duties act in 1828, since which time no such law has been re-enacted, giving absolute free trade in the carrying business. The effect of the repeal was not so sudden, as a magnificent merchant marine had been built, (gotten big enough to get along without protection, as our free trade friends say of protected industries to-day) but it was none the less sure. In 1861, American ships carried 66 per cent instead of 90, in 1866 only 28 per cent, and to-day 11 per cent.

Surely, these facts are astounding. What interest can this have to the Michigan voter? Simply this: While Michigan is not a seaboard state, it is none the less interested in the welfare of every legitimate American industry, and especially one of any considerable importance. The foreign commerce of the United States amounts to nearly two billions of dollars annually, and the earnings of ships carrying freights, passengers and mails to and from the United States aggregate \$300,000,000 per annum. 75 per cent of this amount is paid to British ship owners, and only 11 per cent to American ship owners. Experience has shown that 90 per cent of this vast amount can be turned to American ships by wise discriminating duties, and the keep-

### GENERAL DANIEL E. SICKLES TO THE OLD SOLDIERS.

"I ask you to consider and reflect upon the sacred interests involved in the present situation of our public affairs. I know you love your country. You have given to it the best proof of devotion man can give—you have defended it in battle.

"Let me urge you and every Union veteran to lay aside party feeling now and unite for national honor and for law and order, as you did in '61 to '65 against treason and rebellion. The present crisis seems to me as vital to the welfare of the country as that which called us to the field before.

"Some of the principles for which we then contended are again at stake. Sectionalism, repudiation, and mob rule are threatened. Many of us were obliged to choose between our country and our party in those days. I feel that this is a time when all true patriots should stand together, preferring their country, its honor, good faith, and untarnished name above all mere partisan consideration.

"Mr. Bryan and many of his supporters are trying to combine the South and West against the North and East. This is sectionalism, of which the rebellion was the offspring. Will you follow these guides into dangerous paths, or will you not rather follow Washington in 'frowning upon the first dawning of every attempt to alienate one portion of our country from the rest, or to enfeeble the ties which now link together the various parts?' Sectionalism has become hateful to most of our old adversaries in the South, who have outgrown the asperities of war, and are now as loyal to their united country as any of us. Union veterans, who fought for one union, one constitution, and one destiny, can never favor any candidate or party seeking to array one section of our common country against another.

"To those who, like myself, adhered to the democratic party, let me say that the platform and candidate presented by the Chicago convention are not democratic. They are disowned and denounced by millions of the best democrats in the land. No man of recognized authority in finance indorses the financial policy of the Chicago platform. You are not populists, nor socialists, nor revolutionists. Read the platform adopted by democratic national conventions in former years and you will see that the last Chicago convention rejected all the best traditions of our history and adopted much of the revolutionary creeds of the populists and free silverites, and socialists, dictated by Altgeld, Tillman & Co. They repudiated you and your party and your principles. They have no claim to your support. Let us defeat them.

"Comrade McKinley stands for all that Americans must now uphold. He has been chosen as the candidate of the party which is resisting national dishonor. You and I can do no better than give our votes to our comrade, who manifested his love for his country by shouldering his musket and serving for nearly two years as a private soldier."

ing of this sum in the country each year would be no mean addition to the national wealth.

Why is discrimination necessary to build up a merchant marine? Because it costs something like 30 per cent more in wages and as high as 50 per cent more for food to run American ships than foreign ships. American seamen, like American workmen, are the best paid and the best fed men of their calling on earth.

The republican party is pledged, by its national platform, to the enactment of such a law protecting American ships, and this is another instance of the republican party getting upon the patriotic side of a public question.

We do not want any of our democratic friends to question the accuracy or authenticity of the above statistics, as we have good democratic authority for them. Our information comes direct from the American Merchant Marine Association, the president of which is Hon. Arthur Sewall of Bath, Maine, democratic candidate for the vice-presidency.

#### Those World Wide Markets.

One great cry of the free trader has always been to open the "markets of the world" to the products of American labor. We have had a measure modeled on the free trade plan, as the tariff law of the land for the past three years. How have the "markets of the world" been opened to us? In 1892, our exports amounted to \$1,030,278,148; in 1895, to \$807,538,165. The markets of the world seem to be elusive as the

Irishman's flea. The fact is that the reciprocity idea, condemned as a fraud by the democratic party, opened up many markets that are now closed against us. A falling off of upward of \$200,000,000 in exports may be the democratic notion of promoting our national prosperity, but to us it seems patent that the loss in exports is a loss to the American people, for which the democratic party alone is responsible.

Again such a word as "deficit" was unknown in the modern treasury statements of the United States until since the enactment of the present free trade law. In the years 1894 and 1895, the deficit of revenues from ordinary expenses of the government was the sum of \$112,608,474. For this deficit, the democratic party alone is responsible.

During every republican administration since the close of the war, the interest bearing debt was decreased, \$233,588,950 being paid by the government during President Harrison's administration. During Mr. Cleveland's present administration the interest bearing debt has been increased \$262,500,000, so that, as a direct result of democratic control of affairs, we are to-day in debt as a nation \$29,000,000 deeper than we were at the date of the inauguration of President Harrison, almost eight years ago.

In all the talk and bluster over the silver question, voters are, we fear, losing sight to a great extent of this great issue, protection or free trade. Democratic tariff policy has closed our mills, injured our foreign commerce, increased our public debt and repeated the experience of the

country in every free trade era since the foundation of the government. And yet the democratic party has the assurance to come up serenely and ask the people of the United States to elect William Jennings Bryan, an avowed free trader of the most extreme type, a man who in congress voted for the Wilson bill, as he said, not because it was in his estimation an ideal measure, but because it was a step in the right direction, a man who was one of those that carried Wm. Wilson on their shoulders triumphantly through the house of representatives after the passage of the Wilson bill.

In spite of the loud free silver talk, the democratic party is the same old free trade party, with free trade principles and a free trade candidate.

If the present tariff law is a "step in the right direction," we believe it is time to take a step backward. We cannot see how any protectionist can vote the democratic ticket.

It is idle for democratic orators to indulge in mouthings about "English domination of our financial policy," while they themselves stand for a free trade policy that experience has shown enables foreign manufacturers to control our whole industrial fabric.

The NORTHERNER firmly believes free silver would be a national disaster, but, did we not so believe, even though we were ardent believers in the free coinage theory, yet we would not support free silver candidates if in so doing we were forced, as is the free silverite this year, to support free trade at the same time. The tariff policy of the United States is of vastly more importance to our national prosperity than any other government policy.

#### The Farmer and the Railroads.

One of the misleading arguments of "Coin" and his free coinage followers, is that, in spite of the depressed agricultural condition, the farmer is obliged to pay as much to the great railroad corporations for the same service as when wheat was worth upwards of a dollar a bushel. The statement is not borne out by the facts.

The Statistical Abstract for 1893, published by the treasury department, gives the price per ton, per mile, which the railways have received for carrying freight, a few of which will be sufficient:

N. Y. Central.....	1873-\$1.57	1893-\$0.70.
C. E. I. & P.....	2.29	1.17.
C. M. & St. P.....	2.50	1.39.
C. W. & N.....	2.35	1.44.

It will be observed that the freight rate is but little over half what it was twenty years ago.

"The new democratic party will take these rascally judges by the throat and teach them that there is some liberty left in the land," is the way Senator Ben. Tillman pays his respects to the supreme court of the United States. We do not believe it wise to entrust the affairs of our national government to a party that intimates its intention of making the supreme court a political and partisan institution and that recognizes as leaders such men as Tillman, who characterizes the justices of the purest and most honorable court on earth as "rascally judges."

Why wouldn't it be well for the silverites, whose chief stock in trade has come to be denunciation of British "gold bugs," to turn their attention to English silver barons for a little while? It is said on good authority that two-thirds of the American silver mines are owned in England.

"Goods are too high; we want free trade to cheapen them," has been the democratic cry for years. Now they say, "Goods are too low; we want free silver to raise the prices." Verily, the democracy is a queer bundle of inconsistencies.

There is more catarrh in this section of the country than all diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75c. [foot

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